

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT

[STAFF WORKING DRAFT]

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Purpose: To modify the FAA'S age-60 standard for pilots.

IN THE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS—110TH Cong., 1ST Sess.

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INTENDED to be proposed by Mr. STEVENS

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1 At the appropriate place, insert the following:

2 **SEC. 706. MODIFICATION OF FAA'S AGE-60 STANDARD.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—A pilot who has attained 60 years
4 of age may serve as a pilot of an aircraft operated by an
5 air carrier engaged in operations under part 121 of title
6 14, Code of Federal Regulations, until attaining 65 years
7 of age only if the pilot serves—

8 (1) as a required pilot in multi-crew aircraft op-
9 erations; and

10 (2) with another pilot serving as a required
11 pilot in such multi-crew aircraft operations who has
12 not yet attained 60 years of age.

13 (b) SUNSET OF AGE-60 RULE.—

1 (1) IN GENERAL.—Section 121.383(c) of title
2 14, Code of Federal Regulations shall have no fur-
3 ther force or effect.

4 (2) REGULATIONS.—Not later than 30 days
5 after paragraph (1) takes effect, the Secretary of
6 Transportation shall take such action as may be nec-
7 essary to implement paragraph (1) and to modify
8 the regulations relating to pilot privileges by reason
9 of age.

10 (c) APPLICABILITY.—The provisions of subsection (a)
11 shall not provide a basis for a claim of seniority under
12 any labor agreement in effect between a recognized bar-
13 gaining unit for pilots and an air carrier engaged in oper-
14 ations under part 121 of title 14, Code of Federal Regula-
15 tions, that is made by a person who was a pilot and who
16 attained 60 years of age before this section takes effect
17 and is seeking a position as a pilot with such air carrier
18 following that person's termination or cessation of employ-
19 ment or promotion or transfer to another position with
20 such air carrier pursuant to section 121.383(c) of title 14,
21 Code of Federal Regulations, as in effect on the day before
22 the effective date of this section.

23 (d) GAO REPORT AFTER MODIFICATION OF AGE-60
24 STANDARD.—Not later than 24 months after the effective
25 date described in subsection (e), the Comptroller General

1 of the United States shall report to the Senate Committee
2 on Commerce, Science, and Transportation and the House
3 of Representatives Committee on Transportation and In-
4 frastructure concerning the effect on aviation safety, if
5 any, of the modification of the age standard contained in
6 subsection (a).

7 (e) EFFECTIVE DATE.—This section shall take effect
8 30 days after the date of the enactment of this Act.